



State of New Hampshire Commission on Aging

Vision

A New Hampshire where all of us as we age have the opportunity to thrive and be valued.

Mission

To be a catalyst for change that values, serves, and celebrates all of us as we grow older.

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3 Year Strategic Priorities

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Develop and advance strategies to improve people's ability to age in the communities of their choice

Year 3 objectives:

- Identify strategies to improve long term services and supports (LTSS) system of care.
- Explore the issues of resources for decision making as they impact access to LTSS in the community of one's choice.
- Explore issues of workforce and housing as they impact access to LTSS in the community of one's choice.

Catalyze New Hampshire towards being an Age-Friendly State

Year 3 objectives:

- Promote age-friendly community work to create livable communities for all of us as we age.
- Partner with higher education and industry to promote research and innovation that improves quality of life of older people and those who care for them.

Engage Leaders regarding the Emerging Needs of Older Adults during the COVID-19 Epidemic

Year 3 objectives:

- **Ageism** – Engage stakeholders and subject matter experts to confront ageist perceptions and their social, economic, and political impact.
- **Social Isolation** – Advance and engage in strategies to alleviate social isolation.
- **Long Term Care System** – Advocate for initiatives that improve the lives of residents in long term care and build the resiliency and preparedness of the long term care system against future disease outbreaks.

Develop Commission Infrastructure to Support Operational Success

Year 3 objectives:

- Assess and facilitate the degree to which task forces are advancing the goals of our strategic priorities.
- Manage Commission membership and staff to optimize effectiveness.
- Implement Commission process for advising the Legislature and Governor on current legislation and recommendations for public policy.
- Secure statewide executive leadership commitment to develop a multisector plan for aging for the State of New Hampshire.

Values

Forward Thinking – We anticipate the future and are creative and innovative finding new ways forward.

Collaboration – We embrace cooperation as complex issues require multiple perspectives for development of meaningful solutions and collective action.

Public Trust - We pursue common good in ways that are respectful, accountable, transparent, equitable, and worthy of trust.

Stewardship – We seek to maximize benefit from New Hampshire resources.

Expertise – We utilize the wealth of knowledge and skills available within our state agencies, businesses, and communities.

Opportunity – We strive to amend systematic patterns of disadvantage and marginalization so that all have the opportunity to thrive while growing older.

Engagement - We aim to leverage the talents and energy of older people in New Hampshire to create a better future.